



SmartPA Criteria Proposal

Drug/Drug Class:	Respiratory Monoclonal Antibodies (RMA) PDL Edit
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Criteria Status:	□Existing Criteria ⊠Revision of Existing Criteria □New Criteria

Executive Summary

Purpose: The MO HealthNet Pharmacy Program will implement a state specific preferred drug list.

Why was this Issue Selected: Airway inflammation is key to asthma disease. Most asthmatic patients can manage their symptoms with a combination of inhaled corticosteroids (ICS) and long-acting beta agonists (LABAs). However, a small percentage of asthmatic patients have severe refractory asthma and yet are the greatest burden on the health care system (50% of asthma spend is on 5-10% of patients). Targeted therapies have been developed that yield better outcomes in specific patient types. These new therapies target key cells and mediators that drive inflammatory responses in the asthmatic lung. This new class of biologics for asthma target interleukin inhibition (IL-4, IL-5 and IL-13) to reduce eosinophils and periostin. Xolair is the exception as it targets elevated IgE in allergic asthma.

Total program savings for the PDL classes will be regularly reviewed.

Program-specific
information:

Preferred Agents		Non-Preferred Agents
Cinqair®	•	Dupixent [®]
Fasenra®	•	Nucala [®]
Xolair®		

Type of Criteria: ☐ Increased risk of ADE ☐ Preferred Drug List

Data Sources: ☐ Only Administrative Databases ☐ Databases + Prescriber-Supplied

Setting & Population

- Drug/Drug Class for review: Respiratory Monoclonal Antibodies
- Age Range: All appropriate MO HealthNet participants 6 years of age or older

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Approval Criteria

Preferred Products: Cinqair, Fasenra and Xolair

- Documented compliance on current therapy regimen (defined as 90 out of 150 days) OR
- Prescribed by or in consultation with an appropriate specialist for the treated disease state
- For Cingair:
 - Participant aged 18 years of age or older AND
 - Documented diagnosis of asthma in the last 2 years with evidence of inadequate control AND
 - o Documentation of eosinophilic phenotype
- For Fasenra:
 - Participant aged 12 years or older AND
 - Documented diagnosis of asthma in the last 2 years with evidence of inadequate control AND
 - Documentation of eosinophilic phenotype
- For Xolair, one of the following:
 - Documented diagnosis of asthma in the last 2 years with evidence of inadequate control AND
 - Participant aged 6 years or older AND
 - Documented percutaneous skin test OR
 - Documented RAST allergy test OR
 - Documented in vitro reactivity to at least one perennial aeroallergen
 - Participant aged 12 years or older and documented diagnosis of chronic idiopathic urticaria in the last 2 years with evidence of inadequate control
 - o Chronic rhinosinusitis with nasal polyposis:
 - Participant aged 18 years or older AND
 - o Documented diagnosis of chronic rhinosinusitis with nasal polyposis AND
 - Documented therapeutic trial with systemic corticosteroids in the past 2 years or previous sino-nasal surgery AND
 - Documented previous and continuing concurrent therapy with an intranasal corticosteroid

Non-Preferred Products: Dupixent and Nucala

- Documented compliance on current therapy regimen (defined as 90 out of 150 days) OR
- Prescribed by or in consultation with an appropriate specialist for the treated disease state
- For Dupixent:
 - Asthma:
 - Participant aged 12 years or older AND
 - Documented diagnosis of moderate to severe asthma with evidence of inadequate control AND
 - Documented eosinophilic phenotype or dependence upon oral corticosteroids AND
 - Failure to achieve desired therapeutic outcomes with trial on 2 or more preferred agents OR
 - Documented ADE/ADR to preferred agents
 - Chronic rhinosinusitis with nasal polyposis:
 - Participant aged 18 years or older AND
 - Participant not currently pregnant AND
 - Documented diagnosis of chronic rhinosinusitis with nasal polyposis AND
 - Documented therapeutic trial with systemic corticosteroids in the past 2 years or previous sino-nasal surgery AND
 - Documented previous and continuing concurrent therapy with an intranasal corticosteroid
 - Atopic Dermatitis:
 - Participant aged 6 years or older AND
 - Documented diagnosis of moderate to severe atopic dermatitis with ≥ 1 of the following:
 - o Involvement of at least 10% of body surface area (BSA)
 - Scoring Atopic Dermatitis (SCORAD) score of 20 or more
 - o Investigator's Global Assessment (IGA) with a score ≥ 3
 - o Eczema Area and Severity Index (EASI) score of ≥ 16

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- Incapacitation due to AD lesion location (e.g., head and neck, palms, soles, or genitalia)
 AND
- Documented therapeutic trial (defined as 90 days in the past year) or contraindication of:
 - o 1 topical corticosteroid of medium to high potency (e.g., mometasone, fluocinolone) AND
 - 1 topical calcineurin inhibitors (tacrolimus or pimecrolimus)
- Inadequate response (or contraindication) to a 30 day minimum trial of at least 1 immunosuppressive systemic agent (e.g., cyclosporine, azathioprine, methotrexate, mycophenolate mofetil, etc.) AND
- Inadequate response to (or is not a candidate for) a 3 month minimum trial of phototherapy (e.g., psoralens with UVA light [PUVA], UVB, etc) provided participant has reasonable access to photo treatment AND
- Participant not currently pregnant
- Renewal Criteria:
 - Continue to meet above criteria AND
 - Documented response compared to baseline as measured by measures used to qualify moderate to severe AD at baseline (e.g., pruritus, BSA involvement, EASI, IGA, SCORAD)
- For Nucala:
 - Participant aged 12 years or older and documented diagnosis of hypereosinophilic syndrome (HES) OR
 - Participant aged 18 years or older and documented diagnosis of eosinophilic granulomatosis with polyangiitis (EGPA) **OR**
 - o Documented diagnosis of asthma in the last 2 years with evidence of inadequate control:
 - Participant aged 6 years or older AND
 - Documentation of eosinophilic phenotype AND
 - Failure to achieve desired therapeutic outcomes with trial on 2 or more preferred agents OR
 - Documented ADE/ADR to preferred agents
- Inadequately controlled asthma defined by trial of inhaled corticosteroid in the last 45 days and 1 of the following:
 - Three short acting beta-2 agonist claims in the last 60 days
 - Short term oral steroid claim in the last 30 days
 - ED visit or hospitalization for treatment of asthma in the last 45 days

Denial Criteria

- Lack of adequate trial on required preferred agents
- Therapy will be denied if all approval criteria are not met

Required Documentation

Laboratory Results:	Х	Progress Notes:	X
MedWatch Form:		Other:	X

Disposition of Edit

Denial: Exception Code "0160" (Preferred Drug List Edit) Rule Type: PDL

Default Approval Period

1 year

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